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Tri-Unit Sumo Tournament Holds Spotlight Tonight

A colorful tri-unit sumo tournament, sponsored by the Unit I sumo club, will be held tonight at the Block 21 swimming pool. It will probably attract a crowd between two and three thousand spectators.

A successful tournament was held once before, in 1943, but tonight's performances promise to be more spectacular and successful with the expected participation of several wrestlers from Gila center. Some forty veteran wrestlers will battle against each other with the combined efforts of Units II and III pitted against Unit I. Junior high school and high school boys are also entered to provide a supporting cast.

Punch and shaved ice will be sold by the police dept. to raise funds for the Old Men's Softball League.

WRIGHT, FAMED AUTHOR, CALLS FOR FEDERAL ACTIVITY WITH JAPANESE

Richard Wright, author of current best-seller "Black Boy" and "Native Son," called recently for continued federal activity to insure the safe and peaceful return of Japanese evacuees to their former homes on the West Coast, according to the Pacific Citizen.

TO RESIDENTS OF UNITS II AND III:

Only 11 weeks remain before the closing of Units II and III. Make your relocation plans now.
Duncan Mills
Project Director

Block 35 Boy Dies After 15 Minutes Under Water

Masaharu Hamako, 35-4-A, six, died last Friday, following 15 minutes immersion under water at Pool 44. His twin Masataka, was also at Pool 44 at the time.

The father who was in Los Angeles at the time, returned to Poston the following morning. The two were the only children of Mr. and Mrs. Kaname Leo Hamako, formerly of Los Angeles.

Aijiro Takahashi, Red Cross chairman, believed the boy died of asphyxiation because there was no water in the stomach. It is believed the boy slipped and fell, and struggled underwater.

They were taken to the pool at 1:30 p.m., by Kei Hiko Nakamoto, 35-1-A. At about 1:40, Mr. Nakamoto found one twin missing.

PFC. HENRY SHIBATA OF BLK. 42 AWARDED BRONZE STAR AT NOVI CEREMONIES

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, ITALY--Pfc. Henry N. Shibata of Indio, Calif., has been awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement with the Fifth Army in Italy.

Shibata is a former resident of Indio, but his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Toyochi Shibata, now live at 42-9-C, Poston.

A member of Company K, 442nd Japanese American Combat Team, Shibata was decorated by Maj. Gen. Edward M. Almond, commanding general of the 92nd "Buffalo" Division, at a ceremony near Noviligure.

He was cited for administering first aid to a wounded comrade and carrying him to

Camp III Warehouse Burns To Ground Early Saturday

The entire building and contents were lost in the fire that ravaged Warehouse 315 at 3:50 a.m. Saturday morning in Unit III. Cause is unknown, and extent of damages as yet not determined, said Frank Hon, fire chief.

The building contained agriculture stock.

The work of the fire departments in Units II and III prevented the spread of the fire to the next building.

Lifeguards of Pools 21 and 44 dived, seeking the boy. After ten minutes, Nakamoto went to get a fishing net to drag the pool. While he was gone, the guards found the boy, in the shallow water, at 1:55 p.m. First aid was applied.

Ambulance was called for, and the Red Cross was telephoned. Mr. Takahashi went to the pool and supervised the rescue crew. The ambulance which came was sent back for a doctor. Dr. R. S. O'Connell came, inject- (cont. on relo. page)

safety in the vicinity of Luciana, Italy.

Shibata's citation read:

"When Shibata learned that one of the members of his company was seriously wounded and in need of medical attention, he volunteered with three other men to form a litter party. By running through sniper and shellfire, he and the other men reached the casualty 150 yards away. After administering first aid while under shellfire, (cont. on relo. page)